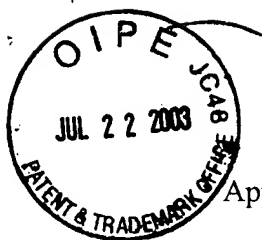


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This response is being timely filed with a petition for an extension of time prior to the extended due date of August 13, 2003.

In that Office Action, the Examiner indicated that pending claims 1-3 and 5-18 were rejected. Applicants request amendment of the claims and reconsideration of the rejections.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS appear on page 2 of this response.

REMARKS begin on page 7 of this response.